t) $^{-3}$ $^{-3}$

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

Please replace the claims with the claims provided in the listing below wherein status, amendments, additions and cancellations are indicated.

(Original) A fishing line spool comprising:

 a hollow core having a cylindrical shape;
 a pair of flanges formed on opposite ends of the hollow core; and
 a pair of door members provided on outer peripheries of the flanges

 and working in cooperation with the hollow core and the flanges to define a fishing line housing, wherein

the door members are provided on the outer peripheries of the flanges in such a fashion that a rear end of each of the door members is connected rotatably on the outer periphery so that the door members change postures from a closed posture in which tips of the door members are brought into contact to each other and an open posture in which the tips depart from each other.

2. (Original) The fishing line spool according to claim 1, wherein each of the flanges has a circular shape, and each of the door members is formed from an elastic disc.

- 3. (Original) The fishing line spool according to claim 2, wherein the door members are so curved that tips of the door members press against each other in the closed posture.
- 4. (Original) The fishing line spool according to claim 1, wherein a pinching plate is provided on each of the tips of the door members so that a fishing line is pinched by the pinching plates.
- 5. (Original) The fishing line spool according to claim 1, wherein the hollow core, the flanges, and the door members are formed integrally from a resin.
- 6. (Currently amended) The fishing line spool according to claim [[9]]
 5, wherein
 the resin is a biodegradable resin.